



<u>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</u>

In re patent application of:

) Attorney Docket No.: E-621

BERSON ET AL.

) Group Art Unit: 2767

Serial No.: 08/886,516

) Examiner: T. JACK

Filed: 7/1/97

) Date: April 23, 1999

Title:

METHOD OF PREVENTING COUNTERFEITING OF ARTICLES OF

MANUFACTURE

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 12/24/98, please amend the above identified application as follows:

In the specification:

At page 1, line 23, please delete the first and second occurrences of ";".

At page 1, line 23, before "to" insert - - issued - -.

At page 1 line 23 please delete ":".

At page 1, line 24 please delete "issued:" and replace with - - on - -.

At page 1, line 27 please delete ":".

At page 1, line 27 after "issued" inseft - - on - -.

At page 1, line 28, please delete ";".

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At page 2, line 13, please capitalize "patent application".

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	11	Number of Extra Claims Present	X	Rate	=	Additional Fee
Total Claims	10	-	20	=	0	Х	\$18.00	=	0.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	0	Х	\$78.00	=	0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT									0.00

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